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1. PURPOSE. GENERAL PROVISIONS SECTION 110 METHOD OF ESTIMATING PERCENTAGE OF MATERIAL WITHIN SPECIFICATION LIMITS (PWL), ITEM P-401 PLANT MIX BITUMINOUS PAVEMENTS, and ITEM P-501 PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE PAVEMENT have been revised to clarify PWL concepts, incorporate new acceptance criteria, test procedures, and pay adjustment schedules.

2. PRINCIPAL CHANGES. The following principal changes have been made:

- **a.** Paragraph 110-01 GENERAL has been revised to clarify PWL concepts and to incorporate revisions that specifically address the degree of uncertainty (risk) associated with acceptance plans when small fractions of material are used to evaluate a day's production. The paragraph informs the Contractor that production quality levels must be maintained at the acceptable PWL or higher in order to consistently meet acceptance criteria.
- **b.** Paragraph 401-5.1a(1) SAMPLING has been changed to specify that specimens shall be placed in an oven for 30-60 minutes to stabilize the specimen to the compaction temperature.
- **c.** Paragraph 401-5.1a(2) TESTING has been changed to specify a measurement of the maximum specific gravity for each sublot and to add container size E in ASTM D 2041 test method.
- **d.** Paragraph 401-5.1b(4) TESTING has been changed to specify the procedure for laboratory prepared thoroughly dry specimens in ASTM D 2726 for plant-produced material.
- **e.** Paragraph 401-5.1c PARTIAL LOTS PLANT-PRODUCED MATERIAL has been changed to allow the Engineer and Contractor to modify lot size when small amounts of work are anticipated.
- **f.** Paragraphs 401-5.2b STABILITY, FLOW, and AIR VOIDS, 401-5.1c MAT DENSITY, and 401-5.2d JOINT DENSITY have been revised to indicate the Contractor shall target production quality to achieve 90 PWL or higher.
 - **g.** Paragraphs 401-5.2g OUTLIERS has been added to check for outliers at a significance level of five percent.
- **h.** Paragraphs 401.8.1 PAYMENT and 401-8.1a BASIS OF ADJUSTED PAYMENT, and Table 6 PRICE ADJUSTMENT SCHEDULE have been changed to incorporate new acceptance criteria and pay adjustment schedule based on a new PWL range from 55-90 percent. Payment has been revised to allow up to 106 percent payment on a lot basis and a range from 100-106 percent on a project basis, based on total project payment conditions.
- **i.** Paragraph 501-3.1 PROPORTIONS has been changed to be consistent with new acceptance criteria regarding specified strength and the need to overdesign to meet specification requirements.
 - **j.** Paragraph 501-5.1a(2) TESTING has been changed to require two specimens per sublot.
- **k.** Paragraph 501-5.1c PARTIAL LOTS has been changed to allow the Engineer and Contractor to modify lot size when small amounts of work are anticipated.
 - 1. Paragraph 501-5.1d OUTLIERS has been added to check for outliers at a significance level of five percent.

- **m.** Paragraphs 501-5.2b FLEXURAL STRENGTH and 501-5.2c PAVEMENT THICKNESS have been changed to indicate that the Contractor shall target production quality to achieve 90 PWL or higher.
- **n.** Paragraph 501-5.2d PERCENTAGE OF MATERIAL WITHIN SPECIFICATION LIMITS (PWL) has been changed to incorporate new lower specification limits for strength (0.93 x design) and thickness (plan 0.50 inches) based on new acceptance criteria and new pay adjustment schedule.
- **o.** Paragraphs 501-5.2e(1) FLEXURAL STRENGTH and 501-5.2e(2) THICKNESS have been changed to incorporate new acceptance PWL of 90 percent or higher.
 - p. Paragraphs 501-8.1 GENERAL and all subparagraphs have been deleted.
- **q.** Paragraphs 501-8.1 PAYMENT and 501-8.1a BASIS OF ADJUSTED PAYMENT, and Table 3 PRICE ADJUSTMENT SCHEDULE have been added to incorporate new acceptance criteria and pay adjustment schedule based on a new PWL range from 55-90 percent applicable to both strength and thickness. Payment has been revised to allow up to 106 percent payment on a lot basis and a range from 100-106 percent on a project, based on total project payment conditions.

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SECTION 110

METHOD OF ESTIMATING PERCENTAGE OF MATERIAL WITHIN SPECIFICATION LIMITS (PWL)

110-01 GENERAL. When the specifications provide for acceptance of material based on the method of estimating percentage of material within specification limits (PWL), the PWL will be determined in accordance with this section. All test results for a lot will be analyzed statistically to determine the total estimated percent of the lot that is within specification limits. The PWL is computed using the sample average (X) and sample standard deviation (S_n) of the specified number (n) of sublots for the lot and the specification tolerance limits, L for lower and U for upper, for the particular acceptance parameter. From these values, the respective Quality index(s), Q_L for Lower Quality Index and/or Q_U for Upper Quality Index, is computed and the PWL for the lot for the specified n is determined from Table 1.

There is some degree of uncertainty (risk) in the measurement for acceptance because only a small fraction of production material (the population) is sampled and tested. This uncertainty exists because all portions of the production material have the same probability to be randomly sampled. The Contractor's risk is the probability that material produced at the acceptable quality level is rejected or subjected to a pay adjustment. The Owner's risk is the probability that material produced at the rejectable quality level is accepted.

IT IS THE INTENT OF THIS SECTION TO INFORM THE CONTRACTOR THAT, IN ORDER TO CONSISTENTLY OFFSET THE CONTRACTOR'S RISK FOR MATERIAL EVALUATED, PRODUCTION QUALITY (USING POPULATION AVERAGE AND POPULATION STANDARD DEVIATION) MUST BE MAINTAINED AT THE ACCEPTABLE QUALITY SPECIFIED OR HIGHER. IN ALL CASES, IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR TO PRODUCE AT QUALITY LEVELS THAT WILL MEET THE SPECIFIED ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA WHEN SAMPLED AND TESTED AT THE FREQUENCIES SPECIFIED.

Paragraph 110-01 shall be included verbatim in all projects.

110-02 METHOD FOR COMPUTING PWL. The computational sequence for computing PWL is as follows:

a. Divide the lot into n sublots in accordance with the acceptance requirements of the specification.

- b. Locate the random sampling position within the sublot in accordance with the requirements of the specification.
- **c.** Make a measurement at each location, or take a test portion and make the measurement on the test portion in accordance with the testing requirements of the specification.
- **d.** Find the sample average (X) for all sublot values within the lot by using the following formula:

$$X = (x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + ... x_n) / n$$

Where: X = Sample average of all sublot values within a lot

x₁, x₂ = Individual sublot values n = Number of sublots

e. Find the sample standard deviation (S_n) by use of the following formula:

$$S_n = [(d_1^2 + d_2^2 + d_3^2 + \dots d_n^2)/(n-1)]^{1/2}$$

Where: $S_n = S$ ample standard deviation of the number of sublot values in the set $d_1, d_2, ... = D$ eviations of the individual sublot values $x_1, x_2, ...$ from the average value X that is: $d_1 = (x_1 - X), d_2 = (x_2 - X) ... d_n = (x_n - X)$

n = Number of sublots

f. For single sided specification limits (i.e., L only), compute the Lower Quality Index Q_L by use of the following formula:

$$Q_L = (X - L) / S_n$$

Where: L = specification lower tolerance limit

Estimate the percentage of material within limits (PWL) by entering Table 1 with Q_L , using the column appropriate to the total number (n) of measurements. If the value of Q_L falls between values shown on the table, use the next higher value of PWL.

 ${f g.}$ For double sided specification limits (i.e. L and U), compute the Quality Indexes Q_L and Q_U by use of the following formulas:

$$Q_L = (X - L) / Sn$$

$$Q_U = (U - X) / Sn$$

Where:

L and U = specification lower and upper tolerance limits

Estimate the percentage of material between the lower (L) and upper (U) tolerance limits (PWL) by entering Table 1 separately with Q_L and Q_U , using the column appropriate to the total number (n) of measurements, and determining the percent of material above P_L and percent of material below P_U for each tolerance limit. If the values of Q_L fall between values shown on the table, use the next higher value of P_L or P_U . Determine the PWL by use of the following formula:

$$PWL = (P_U + P_L) - 100$$

Where:

 P_L = percent within lower specification limit P_U = percent within upper specification limit

EXAMPLE OF PWL CALCULATION

Project: Example Project **Test Item:** Item P-401, Lot A.

A. PWL Determination for Mat Density.

1. Density of four random cores taken from Lot A.

$$n = 4$$

2. Calculate average density for the lot.

$$X = (x1 + x2 + x3 + ... xn) / n$$

$$X = (96.60 + 97.55 + 99.30 + 98.35) / 4$$

$$X = 97.95$$
 percent density

3. Calculate the standard deviation for the lot.

$$\begin{split} Sn &= \left[\left((96.60 - 97.95)^2 + (97.55 - 97.95)^2 + (99.30 - 97.95)^2 + (98.35 - 97.95)^2 \right) \right) / (4 - 1) \right]^{1/2} \\ Sn &= \left[(1.82 + 0.16 + 1.82 + 0.16) / 3 \right]^{1/2} \\ Sn &= 1.15 \end{split}$$

4. Calculate the Lower Quality Index Q_L for the lot. (L=96.3)

$$Q_L = (X - L) / Sn$$

$$Q_L = (97.95 - 96.30) / 1.15$$

$$Q_L = 1.4384$$

401-4.9 PREPARATION OF THE UNDERLYING SURFACE. Immediately before placing the bituminous mixture, the underlying course shall be cleaned of all dust and debris. A prime coat or tack coat shall be applied in accordance with Item P-602 or P-603, if required by the contract specifications.

401-4.10 TRANSPORTING, PLACING, AND FINISHING. The bituminous mixture shall be transported from the mixing plant to the site in vehicles conforming to the requirements of paragraph 401-3. Deliveries shall be scheduled so that placing and compacting of mixture is uniform with minimum stopping and starting of the paver. Adequate artificial lighting shall be provided night placements. Hauling over freshly placed material shall not be permitted until the material has been compacted, as specified, and allowed to cool to atmospheric temperature.

[The Contractor may elect to use a material transfer vehicle to deliver mix to the paver.]

Use of a material transfer vehicle allows the paver to be operated almost continuously without stopping
between truckloads of mix, if a continuous supply of mix is available from the asphalt plant.

The mix shall be placed and compacted at a temperature suitable for obtaining density, surface smoothness, and other specified requirements but not less than 250 degrees F (107 degrees C).

Upon arrival, the mixture shall be placed to the full width by a bituminous paver. It shall be struck off in a uniform layer of such depth that, when the work is completed, it shall have the required thickness and conform to the grade and contour indicated. The speed of the paver shall be regulated to eliminate pulling and tearing of the bituminous mat. Unless otherwise permitted, placement of the mixture shall begin along the centerline of a crowned section or on the high side of areas with a one-way slope. The mixture shall be placed in consecutive adjacent strips having a minimum width of [] except where edge lanes require less width to complete the area. The longitudinal joint in one course shall offset the longitudinal joint in the course immediately below by at least 1 foot (30 cm); however, the joint in the surface top course shall be at the centerline of the pavement. Transverse joints in one course shall be offset by at least 10 feet (3 m) from transverse joints in the previous course.

Transverse joints in adjacent lanes shall be offset a minimum of 10 feet (3 m).

On areas where irregularities or unavoidable obstacles make the use of mechanical spreading and finishing equipment impractical, the mixture may be spread and luted by hand tools.

401-4.11 COMPACTION OF MIXTURE. After placing, the mixture shall be thoroughly and uniformly compacted by rolling. The surface shall be compacted as soon as possible when the mixture has attained sufficient stability so that the rolling does not cause undue displacement, cracking or shoving. The sequence of rolling operations and the type of rollers used shall be at the discretion of the Contractor. The speed of the roller shall, at all times, be sufficiently slow to avoid displacement of the hot mixture and be effective in compaction. Any displacement occurring as a result of reversing the direction of the roller, or from any other cause, shall be corrected at once.

Sufficient rollers shall be furnished to handle the output of the plant. Rolling shall continue until the surface is of uniform texture, true to grade and cross section, and the required field density is obtained.

To prevent adhesion of the mixture to the roller, the wheels shall be kept properly moistened (and scrapers used), but excessive water will not be permitted.

In areas not accessible to the roller, the mixture shall be thoroughly compacted with hand tampers.

Any mixture that becomes loose and broken, mixed with dirt, contains check-cracking, or in any way defective shall be removed and replaced with fresh hot mixture and immediately compacted to conform to the surrounding area. This work shall be done at the Contractor's expense. Skin patching shall not be allowed.

401-4.12 JOINTS. The formation of all joints shall be made in such a manner as to ensure a continuous bond between the courses and obtain the required density. All joints shall have the same texture as other sections of the course and meet the requirements for smoothness and grade.

The roller shall not pass over the unprotected end of the freshly laid mixture except when necessary to form a transverse joint. When necessary to form a transverse joint, it shall be made by means of placing a bulkhead or by tapering the course. The tapered edge shall be cut back to its full depth and width on a straight line to expose a vertical face prior to placing the adjacent lane. In both methods, all contact surfaces shall be given a tack coat of bituminous material before placing any fresh mixture against the joint.

Longitudinal joints which are irregular, damaged, uncompacted, or otherwise defective shall be cut back to expose a clean, sound surface for the full depth of the course. All contact surfaces shall be given a tack coat of bituminous material prior to placing any fresh mixture against the joint.

MATERIAL ACCEPTANCE

- **401-5.1 ACCEPTANCE SAMPLING AND TESTING.** Unless otherwise specified, all acceptance sampling and testing necessary to determine conformance with the requirements specified in this section will be performed by the Engineer at no cost to the Contractor. Testing organizations performing these tests shall meet the requirements of ASTM D 3666. All equipment in Contractor furnished laboratories shall be calibrated by the testing organization prior to the start of operations.
- **a. Plant-Produced Material.** Plant-produced material shall be tested for stability, flow, and air voids on a lot basis. Sampling shall be from material deposited into trucks at the plant or from trucks at the job site. A lot will consist of:
 - one day's production not to exceed 2,000 tons (1 814 000 kg), or
- a half day's production where a day's production is expected to consist of between 2,000 and 4,000 tons (1 814 000 and 3 628 000 kg), or
 - similar subdivisions for tonnages over 4,000 tons (3 628 000 kg).

Where more than one plant is simultaneously producing material for the job, the lot sizes shall apply separately for each plant.

(1) **Sampling.** Each lot will consist of four equal sublots. Sufficient material for preparation of test specimens for all testing will be sampled by the Engineer on a random basis, in accordance with the procedures contained in ASTM D 3665. One set of laboratory compacted specimens will be prepared for each sublot in accordance with ASTM D 1559, paragraph 4.5, at the number of blows required by paragraph 401-3.2, Table 1. Each set of laboratory compacted specimens will consist of three test portions prepared from the same sample increment.

The sample of bituminous mixture shall be put in a covered metal tin and placed in an oven for not less than 30 minutes nor more than 60 minutes to stabilize to compaction temperature. The compaction temperature of the specimens should be as specified in the job mix formula.

(2) **Testing.** Sample specimens shall be tested for stability and flow in accordance with ASTM D 1559, paragraph 5. Air voids will be determined by the Engineer in accordance with ASTM D 3203.

Prior to testing, the bulk specific gravity of each test specimen shall be measured by the Engineer in accordance with ASTM D 2726 using the procedure for laboratory-prepared thoroughly dry specimens, or ASTM D 1188, whichever is applicable, for use in computing air voids and pavement density.

For air voids determination, the theoretical maximum specific gravity of the mixture shall be measured for each sublot in accordance with ASTM D 2041, Type C, D, or E container. The value used in the air voids computation for each sublot shall be based on the maximum specific gravity measurement for the sublot.

The stability and flow for each sublot shall be computed by averaging the results of all test specimens representing that sublot.

- (3) Acceptance. Acceptance of plant produced material for stability, flow, and air voids shall be determined by the Engineer in accordance with the requirements of paragraph 401-5.2b.
 - b. Field Placed Material. Material placed in the field shall be tested for mat and joint density on a lot basis.
- (1) **Mat Density.** The lot size shall be the same as that indicated in paragraph 401-5.1.a and shall be divided into four equal sublots. One core of finished, compacted materials shall be taken by the Contractor from each sublot. Core locations will be determined by the Engineer on a random basis in accordance with procedures contained in ASTM D 3665. Cores shall not be taken closer than one foot from a transverse or longitudinal joint.
- (2) **Joint Density.** The lot size shall be the total length of longitudinal joints constructed by a lot of material as defined in paragraph 401-5.1a. The lot shall be divided into four equal sublots. One core of finished, compacted materials shall be taken by the Contractor from each sublot. Core locations will be determined by the Engineer on a random basis in accordance with procedures contained in ASTM D 3665.
- (3) **Sampling.** Samples shall be neatly cut with a core drill. The cutting edge of the core drill bit shall be of hardened steel or other suitable material with diamond chips embedded in the metal cutting edge. The minimum diameter of the sample shall be three inches. Samples that are clearly defective, as a result of sampling, shall be discarded and another sample taken. The Contractor shall furnish all tools, labor, and materials for cutting samples and filling the cored pavement. Cored holes shall be filled in a manner acceptable to the Engineer and within one day after sampling.
- (4) **Testing.** The bulk specific gravity of each cored sample will be measured by the Engineer in accordance with ASTM D 2726 or ASTM D 1188, whichever is applicable. The percent compaction (density) of each sample will be determined by dividing the bulk specific gravity of each sublot sample by the average bulk specific gravity of all laboratory prepared specimens for the lot, as determined in paragraph 401-5.1a(2).
- (5) Acceptance. Acceptance of field placed material for mat density will be determined by the Engineer in accordance with the requirements of paragraph 401-5.2c. Acceptance for joint density will be determined in accordance with the requirements of paragraph 401-5.2d.
- **c.** Partial Lots Plant-Produced Material. When operational conditions cause a lot to be terminated before the specified number of tests have been made for the lot, or when the Contractor and Engineer agree in writing to allow overages or other minor tonnage placements to be considered as partial lots, the following procedure will be used to adjust the lot size and the number of tests for the lot.

The last batch produced where production is halted will be sampled, and its properties shall be considered as representative of the particular sublot from which it was taken. Where three sublots are produced, they shall constitute a lot. Where one or two sublots are produced, they shall be incorporated into the next lot, and the total number of sublots shall be used in the acceptance plan calculation, i.e., n = 5 or n = 6, for example.

d. Partial Lots - Field Placed Material. The lot size for field placed material shall correspond to that of the plant material, except that, in no cases, less than (3) cored samples shall be obtained for the acceptance plan calculations, i.e., n = 3.

401-5.2 ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA.

a. General. Acceptance will be based on the following characteristics of the bituminous mixture and completed pavement as well as the implementation of the Contractor's Quality Control plan and test results:

(1) Stability(2) Flow(3) Mat density(4) Mat density(5) Joint density(8) Grade

(3) Air voids (6) Thickness

Stability, flow, air voids, mat density, and joint density will be evaluated for acceptance on a lot basis using the method of estimating percentage of material within specification limits (PWL). Acceptance using PWL considers the variability (standard deviation) of the material and the testing procedures, as well as the average (mean) value of the test results to calculate the percentage of material that is above the lower specification tolerance limit (L) or below the upper specification tolerance limit (U).

Thickness will be evaluated by the Engineer for compliance in accordance with paragraph 401-5.2.f(4). Acceptance for smoothness will be based on the criteria contained in paragraph 401-5.2f(5). Acceptance for grade will be based on the criteria contained in paragraph 401-5.2f(6).

The Engineer may at any time, not withstanding previous plant acceptance, reject and require the Contractor to dispose of any batch of bituminous mixture which is rendered unfit for use due to contamination, segregation, incomplete coating of aggregate, or improper mix temperature. Such rejection may be based on only visual inspection or temperature measurements. In the event of such rejection, the Contractor may take a representative sample of the rejected material in the presence of the Engineer, and, if it can be demonstrated in the laboratory, in the presence of the Engineer, that such material was erroneously rejected, payment will be made for the material at the contract unit price.

- **b. Stability, Flow, and Air Voids.** Evaluation for acceptance of each lot of plant-produced material for stability, flow, and air voids shall be based on PWL. The Contractor shall target production quality to achieve 90 PWL or higher.
- **c. Mat Density.** Evaluation for acceptance of each lot of in-place pavement for mat density shall be based on PWL. The Contractor shall target production quality to achieve 90 PWL or higher.
- **d. Joint Density.** Evaluation for acceptance of each lot of in-place pavement for joint density shall be based on PWL. The Contractor shall target production quality to achieve 90 PWL or higher.
- **e.** Percentage of Material Within Specification Limits (PWL). The percentage of material within specification limits (PWL) shall be determined in accordance with procedures specified in Section 110 of the General Provisions. The specification tolerance limits (L) and (U) are contained in Table 5.

f. Acceptance Criteria.

- (1) Mat Density and Air Voids. If the PWL of the lot equals or exceeds 90 percent, the lot shall be acceptable. Acceptance and payment for the lot shall be determined in accordance with paragraph 401-8.1.
- (2) **Stability and Flow.** If the PWL of the lot equals or exceeds 90 percent, the lot shall be acceptable. If the PWL is less than 90 percent, the Contractor shall determine the reason and take corrective action. If the PWL is below 80 percent, the Contractor must stop production and make adjustments to the mix.
- (3) **Joint Density.** If the PWL of the lot equals or exceeds 90 percent, the lot shall be acceptable. If the PWL is less than 90 percent, the Contractor shall evaluate the method of compacting joints. If the PWL is below 80 percent, the Contractor shall stop production until the reason for poor compaction can be determined.
- (4) **Thickness.** Thickness shall be evaluated for compliance by the Engineer to the requirements shown on the plans. Measurements of thickness shall be made by the Engineer using the cores extracted for each sublot for density measurement.

(5) Smoothness. The finished surfaces of the pavement shall not vary more than [] for the [surface] [base] course. Each lot shall be evaluated with a 12-foot (3.6 m) straightedge. The lot size shall be [] square yards (square meters). Measurements will be made perpendicular and parallel to the centerline at distances not to exceed 50 feet (15.2 m). When more than 15 percent of all measurements within a lot exceed the specified tolerance, the Contractor shall remove the deficient area and replace with new material. Sufficient material shall be removed to allow at least one inch of asphalt concrete to be placed. Skin patching shall not be permitted. High points may be ground off.

Specify 3/8 inch (9.5 mm) for base course and 1/4 inch (6.2 mm) for surface course.

The Engineer shall specify the lot size. A minimum of 2,000 square yards (1 650 square meters) is recommended.

(6) Grade. The finished surface of the pavement shall not vary from the gradeline elevations and cross sections shown on the plans by more than 1/2 inch (12.70 mm). The finished grade of each lot will be determined by running levels at intervals of 50 feet (15.2 m) or less longitudinally and transversely to determine the elevation of the completed pavement. The lot size shall be [] square yards (square meters). When more than 15 percent of all the measurements within a lot are outside the specified tolerance, the Contractor shall remove the deficient area and replace with new material. Sufficient material shall be removed to allow at least one inch of asphalt concrete to be placed. Skin patching for correcting low areas shall not be permitted. High points may be ground off.

A minimum lot size of 2,000 square yards (1 650 square meters) is recommended.

g. Outliers. All individual tests for mat density and air voids shall be checked for outliers (test criterion) in accordance with ASTM E 178, at a significance level of 5 percent. Outliers shall be discarded, and the PWL shall be determined using the remaining test values.

TABLE 5. ACCEPTANCE LIMITS FOR STABILITY, FLOW, AIR VOIDS, AND DENSITY

	Pavements Designed for Aircraft Gross Weights of 60,000 Lbs. or More or Tire Pressure of 100 Psi or More		Pavements Designed for Aircraft Gross Weight Less Than 60,000 Lbs. or Tire Pressure Less Than 100 Psi	
Test Property				
Number Blows	75		50	
	Specification Tolerance Limit		Specification Tolerance Limit	
	L	U	L	U
Stability, minimum, pounds	1800	-	1000	-
Flow, 0.01-inch	8	16	8	20
Air Voids Total Mix, percent	2	5	2	5
Mat Density, percent	96.3	-	96.3	-
Joint Density, percent	93.3	-	93.3	-

A lot is the quantity of material to be controlled and may represent a specified tonnage or a specified number of truckloads. The lot size, to be determined by the Engineer, should, for the most part, depend on the operational capacity of the plant, but shall in no case exceed 2,000 tons (1 814 000 kg) in accordance

with paragraph 401-5a.1.

401-5.3 RESAMPLING PAVEMENT.

- **a. General.** Resampling of a lot of pavement for mat density will be allowed if the Contractor requests, in writing, within 48 hours after receiving the written test results from the Engineer. A retest will consist of all the sampling and testing procedures contained in paragraphs 401-5.1b and 401-5.2c. Only one resampling per lot will be permitted.
- (1) A redefined PWL shall be calculated for the resampled lot. The number of tests used to calculate the redefined PWL shall include the initial tests made for that lot plus the retests.
 - (2) The cost for resampling and retesting shall be borne by the Contractor.
- **b. Payment for Resampled Lots.** The redefined PWL for a resampled lot shall be used to calculate the payment for that lot in accordance with Table 6.
- **c. Outliers.** If the tests within a lot include a very large or a very small value which appears to be outside the normal limits of variation, check for an outlier in accordance with ASTM E 178, at a significance level of 5 percent, to determine if this value should be discarded when computing the PWL.
- [401-5.4 LEVELING COURSE. Any course used for truing and leveling shall meet the requirements of paragraph 401-3.2 and 5.2b, but shall not be subject to the density requirements of paragraph 401-5.2c and d. The leveling course shall be compacted with the same effort used to achieve density of the test section. The truing and leveling course shall not exceed a nominal thickness of 1-1/2 inches (37.5 mm).]

Use this paragraph only when there is a need to restore proper cross-section prior to overlaying. Areas of the pavement requiring a leveling course shall be shown on the plans.

CONTRACTOR QUALITY CONTROL

401-6.1 GENERAL. The Contractor shall develop a Quality Control Program in accordance with Section 100 of the General Provisions. The program shall address all elements which effect the quality of the pavement including, but not limited to:

a. Mix Design **f.** Mixing and Transportation

b. Aggregate Grading **g.** Placing and Finishing

c. Quality of Materialsd. Stockpile Managementi. Compaction

e. Proportioning **j.** Surface smoothness

401-6.2 TESTING LABORATORY. The Contractor shall provide a fully equipped asphalt laboratory located at the plant or job site. It shall be available for joint use by the Contractor for quality control testing and by the Engineer for acceptance testing and must have adequate equipment for the performance of the tests required by these specifications. The Engineer shall have priority in use of the equipment necessary for acceptance testing.

The effective working area of the laboratory shall be a minimum of 150 square feet (14 square meters) with a ceiling height of not less than 7.5 feet (2.3 meters). Lighting shall be adequate to illuminate all working areas. It shall be equipped with heating and air conditioning units to maintain a temperature of 70 degrees F + 5 degrees (21 degrees C + 2.3 degrees C).

the 1/2-inch (12.5 mm) gradation, the 1/2-inch sieve should be deleted from the Range Chart.

METHOD OF MEASUREMENT

401-7.1 MEASUREMENT. Plant mix bituminous concrete pavement shall be measured by the number of tons (kg) of bituminous mixture [and the number of tons (kg) of bituminous material] used in the accepted work. Recorded batch weights or truck scale weights will be used to determine the basis for the tonnage. [The weight of bituminous material shall be adjusted in accordance with the percentage of bitumen as determined in paragraph 401-6.3a.]

BASIS OF PAYMENT

401-8.1 PAYMENT. Payment for an accepted lot of bituminous concrete pavement shall be made at the contract unit price per ton (kg) for bituminous mixture [and bituminous material] adjusted according to paragraph 401-8.1a, subject to the limitation that:

The total project payment for plant mix bituminous concrete payment shall not exceed [] percent of the product of the contract unit price and the total number of tons (kg) of bituminous mixture [,and [] percent of the product of the contract unit price and the number of tons (kg) of bituminous material] used in the accepted work (See Note 2 under Table 6).

The price shall be compensation for furnishing all materials, for all preparation, mixing, and placing of these materials, and for all labor, equipment, tools, and incidentals necessary to complete the item.

require an amendment to the AIP grant or PFC application for the project.

a. Basis of Adjusted Payment. The pay factor for each individual lot shall be calculated in accordance with Table 6. A pay factor shall be calculated for both mat density and air voids. The lot pay factor shall be the higher of the two values when calculations for both mat density and air voids are 100 percent or higher. The lot pay factor shall be the product of the two values when only one of the calculations for either mat density or air voids is 100 percent or higher. The lot pay factor shall be the lower of the two values when calculations for both mat density and air voids are less than 100 percent. [The lot pay factor shall apply to both the bituminous mixture and the bituminous material.]

TABLE 6. PRICE ADJUSTMENT SCHEDULE 1

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75 – 89	0.5PWL + 55
55 – 74	1.4PWL – 12
Below 55	Reject ²

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² The lot shall be removed and replaced. However, the Engineer may decide to allow the rejected lot to remain. In that case, if the Engineer and Contractor agree in writing that the lot shall not be removed, it shall be paid for at 50 percent of the contract unit price AND THE TOTAL PROJECT PAYMENT LIMITATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT WITHHELD FOR THE REJECTED LOT.

For each lot accepted, the adjusted contract unit price shall be the product of the lot pay factor for the lot and the contract unit price. Payment shall be subject to the total project payment limitation specified in paragraph 501-8.1. Payment in excess of 100 percent for accepted lots of bituminous concrete payment shall be used to offset payment for accepted lots of bituminous concrete payment that achieve a lot pay factor less than 100 percent.

b. Payment. Payment will be made under:

Item P-401-8.1a Bituminous [Surface] [Base] Course--per ton (kg)

[Item P-401-8.1b Bituminous Material--per ton (kg)]

TESTING REQUIREMENTS

ASTM C 29	Unit Weight of Aggregate
ASTM C 88	Soundness of Aggregates by Use of Sodium Sulfate or Magnesium Sulfate
ASTM C 117	Test Method for Materials Finer than 75-um (No.200) Sieve in Mineral Aggregates by Washing
ASTM C 131	Resistance to Abrasion of Small Size Coarse Aggregate by Use of the Los Angeles Machine
ASTM C 136	Sieve or Screen Analysis of Fine and Coarse Aggregates
ASTM C 183	Sampling Hydraulic Cement
ASTM C 566	Total Moisture Content of Aggregate by Drying
ASTM D 75	Sampling Aggregates
ASTM D 995	Requirements for Mixing Plants for Hot-Mixed Hot-Laid Bituminous Paving Mixtures
ASTM D 118	Bulk Specific Gravity of Compacted Bituminous Mixtures Using Paraffin-Coated Specimens
ASTM D 1461	Moisture or Volatile Distillates in Bituminous Paving Mixtures
ASTM D 1559	Resistance to Plastic Flow of Bituminous Mixtures Using Marshall Apparatus
ASTM D 2041	Theoretical Maximum Specific Gravity and Density of Bituminous Paving Mixtures
ASTM D 2172	Quantitative Extraction of Bitumen from Bituminous Paving Mixtures
ASTM D 2419	Sand Equivalent Value of Soils and Fine Aggregate
ASTM D 2489	Degree of Particle Coating of Bituminous-Aggregate Mixtures
ASTM D 2726	Bulk Specific Gravity of Compacted Bituminous Mixtures Using Saturated Surface-Dry Specimens
ASTM D 3203	Percent Air Voids in Compacted Dense and Open Bituminous Paving Mixtures
ASTM D 2950	Density of Bituminous Concrete in Place by Nuclear Method
ASTM D 3665	Random Sampling of Paving Materials

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ASTM D 3666	Inspection and Testing Agencies for Bituminous Paving Materials
ASTM D 4125	Asphalt Content of Bituminous Mixtures by the Nuclear Method
ASTM D 4318	Liquid Limit, Plastic Limit, and Plasticity Index of Soils
ASTM D 4791	Flat or Elongated Particles in Coarse Aggregate
ASTM D 4867	Effect of Moisture on Asphalt Concrete Paving Mixtures
ASTM E 178	Practice for Dealing With Outlying Observations
AASHTO T 30	Mechanical Analysis of Extracted Aggregate
The Asphalt Institute's Manual No. 2 (MS-2)	Mix Design Methods for Asphalt Concrete
The Asphalt Institute's Manual No. 20 (MS-20)	Hot-Mix Recycling

MATERIAL REQUIREMENTS

ASTM D 242	Mineral Filler for Bituminous Paving Mixtures
ASTM D 946	Asphalt Cement for Use in Pavement Construction
ASTM D 3381	Viscosity-Graded Asphalt Cement for Use in Pavement Construction
ASTM D 4552	Classifying Hot-Mix Recycling Agents

The Engineer shall designate one of the following:

Welded steel wire fabric ASTM A 185 Welded deformed steel fabric ASTM A 497

Bar mats ASTM A 184 or A 704

Welded wire fabric shall be furnished in flat sheets only. Delete this paragraph when not applicable to the project.

501-2.7 DOWEL AND TIE BARS. Tie bars shall be deformed steel bars and conform to the requirements of ASTM A 615, ASTM A 616, or ASTM A 617, except that rail steel bars, Grade 50 or 60, shall not be used for tie bars that are to be bent or restraightened during construction. Tie bars designated as Grade 40 in ASTM A 615 can be used for construction requiring bent bars.

Dowel bars shall be plain steel bars conforming to ASTM A 615, ASTM A 616 or ASTM A 617 and shall be free from burring or other deformation restricting slippage in the concrete. High strength dowel bars shall conform to ASTM A 714, Class 2, Type S, Grade I, II or III, Bare Finish. Before delivery to the construction site each dowel bar shall be painted on all surfaces with one coat of paint meeting Federal Specification TT-P-664. If plastic or epoxy-coated steel dowels are used no paint coating is required, except when specified for a particular situation on the plans. Coated dowels shall conform to the requirements of AASHTO M 254.

The sleeves for dowel bars used in expansion joints shall be metal or other type of an approved design to cover 2 to 3 inches (50 mm to 75 mm) of the dowel, with a closed end and with a suitable stop to hold the end of the bar at least 1 inch (25 mm) from the closed end of the sleeve. Sleeves shall be of such design that they will not collapse during construction.

501-2.8 WATER. Water used in mixing or curing shall be clean and free of oil, salt, acid, alkali, sugar, vegetable, or other substances injurious to the finished product. Water will be tested in accordance with the requirements of AASHTO T 26. Water known to be of potable quality may be used without testing.

501-2.9 COVER MATERIAL FOR CURING. Curing materials shall conform to one of the following specifications:

- ${f a.}$ Liquid membrane-forming compounds for curing concrete shall conform to the requirements of ASTM C 309, Type 2, Class B
 - **b.** White polyethylene film for curing concrete shall conform to the requirements of ASTM C 171.
 - c. White burlap-polyethylene sheeting for curing concrete shall conform to the requirements of ASTM C 171.
 - **d.** Waterproof paper for curing concrete shall conform to the requirements of ASTM C 171.
- **501-2.10 ADMIXTURES.** The use of any material added to the concrete mix shall be approved by the Engineer. The Contractor shall submit certificates indicating that the material to be furnished meets all of the requirements indicated below. In addition, the Engineer may require the Contractor to submit complete test data from an approved laboratory showing that the material to be furnished meets all of the requirements of the cited specifications. Subsequent tests may be made of samples taken by the Engineer from the supply of the material being furnished or proposed for use on the work to determine whether the admixture is uniform in quality with that approved.
- **a.** Air-Entraining Admixtures. Air-entraining admixtures shall meet the requirements of ASTM C 260 and shall consistently entrain the air content in the specified ranges under field conditions. The air-entrainment agent and any water reducer admixture shall be compatible.
- **b.** Chemical Admixtures. Water-reducing, set retarding, and set-accelerating admixtures shall meet the requirements of ASTM C 494, including the flexural strength test.
- **501-2.11 EPOXY-RESIN.** Epoxy-resin used to anchor dowels and tie bars in pavements shall conform to the requirements of ASTM C 881, Type I, Grade 3, Class C. Class A or B shall be used when the surface temperature of the hardened concrete is below 60 degrees F (16 degrees C).

501-2.12 MATERIAL ACCEPTANCE. Prior to use of materials, the Contractor shall submit certified test reports to the Engineer for those materials proposed for use during construction. The certification shall show the appropriate ASTM test(s) for each material, the test results, and a statement that the material passed or failed.

The Engineer may request samples for testing, prior to and during production, to verify the quality of the materials and to ensure conformance with the applicable specifications.

MIX DESIGN

501-3.1 PROPORTIONS. Concrete shall be designed to achieve a 28-day flexural strength that meets or exceeds the acceptance criteria contained in paragraph 501-5.2 for a flexural strength of [] psi. The mix shall be designed using the procedures contained in Chapter 7 of the Portland Cement Association's manual, "Design and Control of Concrete Mixtures".

The Engineer shall designate the design strength. The minimum flexural strength allowable for airport pavements is 600 psi (4 136 kPa).

Higher flexural strength can be specified when local materials make this economically feasible. However, it must be recognized that due to variations in materials, operations, and testing, the average strength of concrete furnished by a supplier must be higher than the specified strength to insure a good statistical chance of meeting the acceptance criteria throughout the duration of the job.

For pavements designed to accommodate aircraft gross weights of 30,000 pounds (13 500 kg) or less, this section may be modified to indicate that concrete shall be designed to achieve a 28-day compressive strength such that meets or exceeds the acceptance criteria for a compressive strength of 4,400 psi (30 700 kPa).

If the specified strength is required earlier than 28 days, the Engineer shall designate the time period.

The Contractor shall note that to ensure that the concrete actually produced will meet or exceed the acceptance criteria for the specified strength, the mix design average strength must be higher than the specified strength. The amount of overdesign necessary to meet specification requirements depends on the producer's standard deviation of flexural test results and the accuracy which that value can be estimated from historic data for the same or similar materials.

The minimum cementitious material (cement plus fly ash) shall be [] pounds per cubic yard ([] kg per cubic meter). The ratio of water to cementitious material, including free surface moisture on the aggregates but not including moisture absorbed by the aggregates shall not be more than [] by weight.

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A minimum cement content of 500 pounds (227 kg) should be specified. A higher minimum may be necessary to meet the specified strength when other cementitious materials are substituted or to meet durability requirements for severe freeze/thaw, deicer, or sulfate exposure.

Prior to the start of paving operations and after approval of all material to be used in the concrete, the Contractor shall submit a mix design showing the proportions and flexural strength obtained from the concrete at 7 and 28 days. The mix design shall include copies of test reports, including test dates, and a complete list of materials including type, brand, source, and amount of cement, fly ash, ground slag, coarse aggregate, fine aggregate, water, and admixtures. The fineness modulus of the fine aggregate and the air content shall also be shown. The mix design shall be submitted to the Engineer at least [] days prior to the start of operations. Production shall not begin until the mix design is approved in writing by the Engineer.

3500 psi (24 130 kPa) shall be specified. Testing shall be in accordance with ASTM C 39.

MATERIAL ACCEPTANCE

501-5.1 ACCEPTANCE SAMPLING AND TESTING. All acceptance sampling and testing, with the exception of coring for thickness determination, necessary to determine conformance with the requirements specified in this section will be performed by the Engineer. Concrete shall be accepted for strength and thickness on a lot basis.

A lot shall consist of:

[] cubic yards ([] cubic meters).]
[] square yards ([] square meters).]
[8	a day's production not to exceed 2,000 cubic yards (1 530 cubic meters).]
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Testing organizations performing these tests shall meet the requirements of ASTM C 1077. The Contractor shall bear the cost of providing curing facilities for the strength specimens, per paragraph 501-5.1a(3), and coring and filling operations, per paragraph 501-5.1b(1).

The Engineer shall specify the lot size for a project based on the total quantity and the expected production rate. The lot size should not exceed 2,000 cubic yards (1 530 cubic meters). For projects where basis of payment is square yards (square meters), the Engineer shall convert the lot size to an equivalent area that contains 2,000 cubic yards (1 530 cubic meters) or less.

a. Flexural Strength.

- (1) **Sampling.** Each lot shall be divided into four equal sublots. One sample shall be taken for each sublot from the plastic concrete delivered to the job site. Sampling locations shall be determined by the Engineer in accordance with random sampling procedures contained in ASTM D 3665. The concrete shall be sampled in accordance with ASTM C 172.
- (2) **Testing.** Two (2) specimens shall be made from each sample. Specimens shall be made in accordance with ASTM C 31 and the flexural strength of each specimen shall be determined in accordance with ASTM C 78. The flexural strength for each sublot shall be computed by averaging the results of the two test specimens representing that sublot.
- (3) Curing. The Contractor shall provide adequate facilities for the initial curing of beams. During the 24 hours after molding, the temperature immediately adjacent to the specimens must be maintained in the range of 60 to 80 degrees F (16 to 27 degrees C), and loss of moisture from the specimens must be prevented. The specimens may be stored in tightly constructed wooden boxes, damp sand pits, temporary buildings at construction sites, under wet burlap in favorable weather, or in heavyweight closed plastic bags, or using other suitable methods, provided the temperature and moisture loss requirements are met.
- **(4) Acceptance.** Acceptance of pavement for flexural strength will be determined by the Engineer in accordance with paragraph 501-5.2b.

Preventing loss of moisture is extremely important since relatively small amounts of surface drying of flexural specimens can induce tensile stresses in the extreme fibers that will markedly reduce the indicated flexural strength.

When the design strength in paragraph 501-3.1 is based on compressive strength, this paragraph should be revised as follows:

a. Compressive Strength.

- (1) Sampling. Each lot shall be divided into four equal sublots. One sample shall be taken for each sublot from the plastic concrete delivered to the job site. Sampling locations shall be determined by the Engineer in accordance with random sampling procedures contained in ASTM D 3665. The concrete shall be sampled in accordance with ASTM C 172.
- (2) Testing. Two (2) specimens shall be made from each sample. Specimens shall be made in accordance with ASTM C 31 and the compressive strength of each specimen shall be determined in accordance with ASTM C 39. The compressive strength for each sublot shall be computed by averaging the results of the two test specimens representing that sublot.
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b. Pavement Thickness.

(1) **Sampling.** Each lot shall be divided into four equal sublots and one core shall be taken by the Contractor for each sublot. Sampling locations shall be determined by the Engineer in accordance with random sampling procedures contained in ASTM D 3665. Areas, such as thickened edges, with planned variable thickness, shall be excluded from sample locations.

Cores shall be neatly cut with a core drill. The Contractor shall furnish all tools, labor, and materials for cutting samples and filling the cored hole. Core holes shall be filled by the Contractor with a non-shrink grout approved by the Engineer within one day after sampling.

- (2) **Testing.** The thickness of the cores shall be determined by the Engineer by the average caliper measurement in accordance with ASTM C 174.
- (3) **Acceptance.** Acceptance of pavement for thickness shall be determined by the Engineer in accordance with paragraph 501-5.2c.
- **c. Partial Lots.** When operational conditions cause a lot to be terminated before the specified number of tests have been made for the lot, or when the Contractor and Engineer agree in writing to allow overages or minor placements to be considered as partial lots, the following procedure will be used to adjust the lot size and the number of tests for the lot.

Where three sublots have been produced, they shall constitute a lot. Where one or two sublots have been produced, they shall be incorporated into the next lot or the previous lot and the total number of sublots shall be used in the acceptance criteria calculation, i.e., n=5 or n=6.

d. Outliers. All individual flexural strength tests within a lot shall be checked for an outlier (test criterion) in accordance with ASTM E 178, at a significance level of 5 percent. Outliers shall be discarded, and the PWL shall be determined using the remaining test values.

501-5.2 ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA.

a. General. Acceptance will be based on the following characteristics of the completed pavement:

(1) Flexural strength (4) Grade

(2) Thickness (5) Edge slump

(3) Smoothness (6) Dowel bar alignment

Flexural strength and thickness shall be evaluated for acceptance on a lot basis using the method of estimating percentage of material within specification limits (PWL). Acceptance using PWL considers the variability (standard deviation) of the material and the testing procedures, as well as the average (mean) value of the test results to calculate the percentage of material that is above the lower specification tolerance limit (L).

Acceptance for flexural strength will be based on the criteria contained in accordance with paragraph 501-5.2e(1). Acceptance for thickness will be based on the criteria contained in paragraph 501-5.2e(2). Acceptance for smoothness will be based on the criteria contained in paragraph 501-5.2e(3). Acceptance for grade will be based on the criteria contained in paragraph 501-5.2e(4).

The Engineer may at any time, not withstanding previous plant acceptance, reject and require the Contractor to dispose of any batch of concrete mixture which is rendered unfit for use due to contamination, segregation, or improper slump. Such rejection may be based on only visual inspection. In the event of such rejection, the Contractor may take a representative sample of the rejected material in the presence of the Engineer, and if it can be demonstrated in the laboratory, in the presence of the Engineer, that such material was erroneously rejected, payment will be made for the material at the contract unit price.

b. Flexural Strength. Acceptance of each lot of in-place pavement for flexural strength shall be based on PWL. The Contractor shall target production quality to achieve 90 PWL or higher.

When the design strength in paragraph 501-3.1 is based on compressive strength, substitute compressive strength for flexural strength.

- **c. Pavement Thickness.** Acceptance of each lot of in-place pavement shall be based on PWL. The Contractor shall target production quality to achieve 90 PWL or higher.
- **d. Percentage of Material Within Limits (PWL).** The percentage of material within limits (PWL) shall be determined in accordance with procedures specified in Section 110 of the General Provisions.

The lower specification tolerance limit (L) for flexural strength and thickness shall be:

Lower Specification Tolerance Limit (L)

Flexural Strength 0.93 x strength specified in paragraph 501-3.1 Thickness Lot Plan Thickness in inches - 0.50 inches

The lower specification tolerance limits above are based on applying statistical analysis to FAA design assumptions, and there is no need to compensate for the above factor in the design process. When the design strength in paragraph 501-3.1 is based on compressive strength, substitute compressive strength for flexural strength and insert 4,140 psi as L for strength.

e. Acceptance Criteria.

- (1) **Flexural Strength.** If the PWL of the lot equals or exceeds 90 percent, the lot shall be acceptable. Acceptance and payment for the lot shall be determined in accordance with paragraph 501-8.1.
- (2) **Thickness.** If the PWL of the lot equals or exceeds 90 percent, the lot shall be acceptable. Acceptance and payment for the lot shall be determined in accordance with paragraph 501-8.1.
- (3) **Smoothness.** As soon as the concrete has hardened sufficiently, the pavement surface shall be tested with a 16-foot (5 m) straightedge or other specified device. Surface smoothness deviations shall not exceed 1/4 inch (6 mm) from a 16-foot (5 m) straightedge placed in any direction, including placement along and spanning any pavement joint edge.

Areas in a slab showing high spots of more than 1/4 inch (6 mm) but not exceeding 1/2 inch (13 mm) in 16 feet (5 m) shall be marked and immediately ground down with an approved grinding machine to an elevation that will fall within the tolerance of 1/4 inch (6 mm) or less. Where the departure from correct cross section exceeds 1/2 inch (13 mm), the pavement shall be removed and replaced at the expense of the Contractor when so directed by the Engineer.

(4) **Grade.** An evaluation of the surface grade shall be made by the Engineer for compliance to the tolerances contained below.

Lateral Deviation. Lateral deviation from established alignment of the pavement edge shall not exceed plus or minus 0.10 foot (30 mm) in any lane.

Vertical Deviation. Vertical deviation from established grade shall not exceed plus or minus 0.04 foot (12 mm) at any point.

- (5) **Edge Slump.** When slip-form paving is used, not more than 15 percent of the total free edge of each 500 foot (150 m) segment of pavement, or fraction thereof, shall have an edge slump exceeding 1/4-inch (6 mm), and none of the free edge of the pavement shall have an edge slump exceeding 3/8-inch (10 mm). (The total free edge of 500 feet (150 m) of pavement will be considered the cumulative total linear measurement of pavement edge originally constructed as nonadjacent to any existing pavement; i.e., 500 feet (150 m) of paving lane originally constructed as a separate lane will have 1,000 feet (300 m) of free edge, 500 feet (150 m) of fill-in lane will have no free edge, etc.). The area affected by the downward movement of the concrete along the pavement edge shall be limited to not more than 18 inches (457 mm) from the edge. When excessive edge slump cannot be corrected before the concrete has hardened, the area with excessive edge slump shall be removed and replaced at the expense of the Contractor when so directed by the Engineer.
- **(6) Dowel Bar Alignment.** Dowel bars and assemblies shall be checked for position and alignment. The maximum permissible tolerance on dowel bar alignment in each plane, horizontal and vertical, shall not exceed 2 percent or 1/4 inch per foot (20 mm per meter) of a dowel bar.
- **f. Removal and Replacement of Concrete.** Any area or section of concrete that is removed and replaced shall be removed and replaced back to planned joints. The Contractor shall replace damaged dowels and the requirements for doweled longitudinal construction joints in paragraph 501-4.10 shall apply to all contraction joints exposed by concrete removal.

CONTRACTOR QUALITY CONTROL

501-6.1 QUALITY CONTROL PROGRAM. The Contractor shall develop a Quality Control Program in accordance with Section 100 of the General Provisions. The program shall address all elements which effect the quality of the pavement including but not limited to:

- a. Mix Design
- **b.** Aggregate Gradation
- **c.** Quality of Materials
- d. Stockpile Management
- e. Proportioning
- **f.** Mixing and Transportation
- **g.** Placing and Consolidation
- **h.** Joints

- i. Dowel Placement and Alignment
- **j.** Flexural or Compressive Strength
- **k.** Finishing and Curing
- **l.** Surface Smoothness

When the design requires paving an area less than 600 square yards (500 square meters), the Engineer may request modification to this requirement.

501-6.2 QUALITY CONTROL TESTING. The Contractor shall perform all quality control tests necessary to control the production and construction processes applicable to this specification and as set forth in the Quality Control Program. The testing program shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, tests for aggregate gradation, aggregate moisture content, slump, and air content.

A Quality Control Testing Plan shall be developed as part of the Quality Control Program.

a. Fine Aggregate.

- (1) **Gradation.** A sieve analysis shall be made at least twice daily in accordance with ASTM C 136 from randomly sampled material taken from the discharge gate of storage bins or from the conveyor belt.
- (2) **Moisture Content.** If an electric moisture meter is used, at least two direct measurements of moisture content shall be made per week to check the calibration. If direct measurements are made in lieu of using an electric meter, two tests shall be made per day. Tests shall be made in accordance with ASTM C 70 or ASTM C 566.

b. Coarse Aggregate.

- (1) **Gradation.** A sieve analysis shall be made at least twice daily for each size of aggregate. Tests shall be made in accordance with ASTM C 136 from randomly sampled material taken from the discharge gate of storage bins or from the conveyor belt.
- (2) **Moisture Content.** If an electric moisture meter is used, at least two direct measurements of moisture content shall be made per week to check the calibration. If direct measurements are made in lieu of using an electric meter, two tests shall be made per day. Tests shall be made in accordance with ASTM C 566.
- **c. Slump.** Four slump tests shall be performed for each lot of material produced in accordance with the lot size defined in Section 501-5.1. One test shall be made for each sublot. Slump tests shall be performed in accordance with ASTM C 143 from material randomly sampled from material discharged from trucks at the paving site. Material samples shall be taken in accordance with ASTM C 172.
- **d. Air Content.** Four air content tests shall be performed for each lot of material produced in accordance with the lot size defined in Section 501-5.1. One test shall be made for each sublot. Air content tests shall be performed in accordance with ASTM C 231 for gravel and stone coarse aggregate and ASTM C 173 for slag or other porous coarse aggregate, from material randomly sampled from trucks at the plant site. Material samples shall be taken in accordance with ASTM C 172.
- **501-6.3 CONTROL CHARTS.** The Contractor shall maintain linear control charts for fine and course aggregate gradation, slump, and air content.

Control charts shall be posted in a location satisfactory to the Engineer and shall be kept up to date at all times. As a minimum, the control charts shall identify the project number, the contract item number, the test number, each test parameter, the Action and suspension Limits, or Specification limits, applicable to each test parameter, and the Contractor's test results. The Contractor shall use the control charts as part of a process control system for identifying potential problems and assignable causes before they occur. If the Contractor's projected data during production indicates a potential problem and the Contractor is not taking satisfactory corrective action, the Engineer may halt production or acceptance of the material.

- **a.** Fine and Coarse Aggregate Gradation. The Contractor shall record the running average of the last five gradation tests for each control sieve on linear control charts. Specification limits contained in Tables 1 and 2 shall be superimposed on the Control Chart for job control.
- **b. Slump and Air Content.** The Contractor shall maintain linear control charts both for individual measurements and range (i.e. difference between highest and lowest measurements) for slump and air content in accordance with the following Action and Suspension Limits.

CONTROL CHART LIMITS Based on Sample Size n=4

Control Parameter	Individual Measurements		Range Suspension Limit
	Action Limit	Suspension Limit	
Slump	+/- 1 inch (25 mm)	+/- 1.5 inch (38 mm)	+/- 2.4 inch (61 mm)
Air Content	+/- 1.2 percent	+/- 1.8 percent	+/- 2.8 percent

The individual measurement control charts shall use the mix design target values as indicators of central tendency.

- **501-6.4 CORRECTIVE ACTION.** The Quality Control Plan shall indicate that appropriate action shall be taken when the process is believed to be out of control. The Quality Control Plan shall detail what action will be taken to bring the process into control and shall contain sets of rules to gauge when a process is out of control. As a minimum, a process shall be deemed out of control and corrective action taken if any one of the following conditions exists.
- **a.** Fine and Coarse Aggregate Gradation. When two consecutive averages of five tests are outside of the Tables 1 or 2 specification limits, immediate steps, including a halt to production, shall be taken to correct the grading.
- **b.** Fine and Coarse Aggregate Moisture Content. Whenever the moisture content of the fine or coarse aggregate changes by more than 0.5 percent, the scale settings for the aggregate batcher(s) and water batcher shall be adjusted.
 - **c. Slump.** The Contractor shall halt production and make appropriate adjustments whenever:
 - (1) one point falls outside the Suspension Limit line for individual measurements or range; or
 - (2) two points in a row fall outside the Action Limit line for individual measurements.
- **d. Air Content.** The Contractor shall halt production and adjust the amount of air-entraining admixture whenever:
 - (1) one point falls outside the Suspension Limit line for individual measurements or range; or
 - (2) two points in a row fall outside the Action Limit line for individual measurements.

Whenever a point falls outside the Action Limits line, the air-entraining admixture dispenser shall be calibrated to ensure that it is operating correctly and with good reproducibility.

METHOD OF MEASUREMENT

501-7.1 Portland cement concrete pavement shall be measured by the number of [cubic yards (cubic meters)] [square yards (square meters)] of either plain or reinforced pavement as specified in-place, completed and accepted. Saw-cut grooving shall be measured by the number of square yards (square meters) of saw-cut grooving as specified in-place, completed and accepted.

BASIS OF PAYMENT

501-8.1 PAYMENT. Payment for accepted concrete payement shall be made at the contract unit price [**per cubic yard** (**cubic meter**)] [**per square yard** (**square meter**)] adjusted in accordance with paragraph 501-8.1a, subject to the limitation that:

The total project payment for concrete payment shall not exceed [] percent of the product of the contract unit price and the total number of [cubic yards (cubic meters)] [square yards (square meters)] of concrete payment used in the accepted work (See Note 2 under Table 3).

Payment shall be full compensation for all labor, materials, tools, equipment, and incidentals required to complete the work as specified herein and on the drawings, except for saw-cut grooving.

The Engineer shall specify a value ranging from 100 percent to 106 percent. When the total project payment for Item P-501 payement exceeds the contract unit price, any AIP or PFC funds used to pay the excess may require an amendment to the AIP grant or PFC application for the project.

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Below 55	Reject ²

¹ALTHOUGH IT IS THEORETICALLY POSSIBLE TO ACHIEVE A PAY FACTOR OF 106 PERCENT FOR EACH LOT, ACTUAL PAYMENT IN EXCESS OF 100 PERCENT SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE TOTAL PROJECT PAYMENT LIMITATION SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH 501-8.1.

For each lot accepted, the adjusted contract unit price shall be the product of the lot pay factor for the lot and the contract unit price. Payment shall be subject to the total project payment limitation specified in paragraph 501-8.1. Payment in excess of 100 percent for accepted lots of concrete payment shall be used to offset payment for accepted lots of concrete payment that achieve a lot pay factor less than 100 percent.

b. Payment. Payment shall be made under:

Item P-501-8.1a Portland Cement Concrete Pavement--[per cubic yard (cubic meter)] [per square yard (square meter)]

501-8.2 PAYMENT FOR SAW-CUT GROOVING. Payment for saw-cut grooving shall be made at the contract unit price per square yard (square meter) for saw-cut grooving.

Delete paragraph 501-8.2 if saw-cut grooving is not included in the project.

² The lot shall be removed and replaced. However, the Engineer may decide to allow the rejected lot to remain. In that case, if the Engineer and Contractor agree in writing that the lot shall not be removed, it shall be paid for at 50 percent of the contract unit price AND THE TOTAL PROJECT PAYMENT LIMITATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT WITHHELD FOR THE REJECTED LOT.

TESTING REQUIREMENTS

ASTM C 31	Making and Curing Concrete Test Specimens in the Field
ASTM C 39	Compressive Strength of Cylindrical Concrete Specimens
ASTM C 70	Surface Moisture in Fine Aggregate
ASTM C 78	Test for Flexural Strength of Concrete (Using Simple Beam with Third-Point Loading)
ASTM C 131	Test for Resistance to Abrasion of Small Size Coarse Aggregate by Use of the Los Angeles Machine
ASTM C 136	Sieve Analysis of Fine and Coarse Aggregates
ASTM C 138	Test for Unit Weight, Yield, and Air Content (Gravimetric) of Concrete
ASTM C 143	Test for Slump of Portland Cement Concrete
ASTM C 172	Sampling Freshly Mixed Concrete
ASTM C 173	Test for Air Content of Freshly Mixed Concrete by the Volumetric Method
ASTM C 174	Measuring Length of Drilled Concrete Cores
ASTM C 227	Potential Alkali Reactivity of Cement-Aggregate Combinations (Mortar-Bar Method)
ASTM C 231	Test for Air Content of Freshly Mixed Concrete by the Pressure Method
ASTM C 289	Potential Reactivity of Aggregates (Chemical Method)
ASTM C 295	Petrographic Examination of Aggregates for Concrete
ASTM C 311	Sampling and Testing Fly Ash for Use as an Admixture in Portland Cement Concrete
ASTM C 535	Test for Resistance to Abrasion of Large Size Coarse Aggregate by Use of the Los Angeles Machine
ASTM C 566	Total Moisture Content of Aggregates by Drying
ASTM C 1077	Standard Practice for Laboratories Testing Concrete and Concrete Aggregates for Use in Construction And Criteria for Laboratory Evaluation
ASTM D 3665	Random Sampling of Construction Materials
ASTM D 4791	Test Method for Flat or Elongated Particles in Coarse Aggregate
AASHTO T 26	Quality of Water to be Used in Concrete

MATERIAL REQUIREMENTS

ASTM A 184	Specification for Fabricated Deformed Steel Bar Mats for Concrete Reinforcement
ASTM A 185	Specification for Welded Steel Wire Fabric for Concrete Reinforcement
ASTM A 497	Specification for Welded Deformed Steel Wire Fabric for Concrete Pavement
ASTM A 615	Specification for Deformed and Plain Billet-Steel Bars for Concrete Reinforcement

ASTM A 616	Specification for Rail-Steel Deformed and Plain Bars for Concrete Reinforcement
ASTM A 617	Specification for Axle-Steel Deformed and Plain Bars for Concrete Reinforcement
ASTM A 704	Specification for Welded Steel Plain Bar or Rod Mats for Concrete Reinforcement
ASTM A 714	Specification for High-Strength Low-Alloy Welded and Seamless Steel Pipe
ASTM C 33	Specification for Concrete Aggregates
ASTM C 94	Specification for Ready-Mixed Concrete
ASTM C 150	Specification for Portland Cement
ASTM C 171	Specification for Sheet Materials for Curing Concrete
ASTM C 260	Specification for Air-Entraining Admixtures for Concrete
ASTM C 309	Specification for Liquid Membrane-Forming Compounds
ASTM C 494	Specification for Chemical Admixtures for Concrete
ASTM C 595	Specification for Blended Hydraulic Cements
ASTM C 618	Specification for Fly Ash and Raw or Calcined Natural Pozzolan for Use as a Mineral Admixture in Portland Cement Concrete
ASTM C 881	Specification for Epoxy-Resin-Base Bonding System for Concrete
ASTM C 989	Specification for Ground Granulated Blast-Furnace Slag for Use in Concrete and Mortars
ASTM D 1751	Specification for Preformed Expansion Joint Fillers for Concrete Paving and Structural Construction (Nonextruding and Resilient Bituminous Types)
ASTM D 1752	Specification for Preformed Sponge Rubber and Cork Expansion Joint Fillers for Concrete Paving And Structural Construction
AASHTO M 254	Specification for Coated Dowel Bars
ACI 305R	Hot Weather Concreting
ACI 306R	Cold Weather Concreting
TT-P-644 (Rev.]	D) Federal Specification for Primer Coating, Alkyd, Corrosion-Inhibiting, Lead and Chromate Free, VOC-Compliant